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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD REGARDING AN
APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE
AN AIR POLLUTION-EMITTING SOURCE**

PROPOSED ACTION: Hoku Materials, Inc., Pocatello Idaho applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to modify its permit to construct and operate an air pollution-emitting source located at One Hoku Way, Pocatello. DEQ has determined that construction and operation according to the proposed modified permit will not cause or significantly contribute to a violation of any ambient air quality standard and will not injure or unreasonably affect human, animal life or vegetation. DEQ has reviewed the application and completed an analysis of the information submitted by the applicant for the increase of permitted production capacity from 2,500 metric tons per year to 4,000 metric tons per year. Based on this analysis, DEQ proposes to issue the modified permit to construct to Hoku Materials, Inc., Pocatello.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: Notice is given that DEQ has scheduled a period to receive public comments under Docket No. AQ - 0815, Project No. (P-2008.0049) concerning only the proposed modified terms in accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209. A package containing the information submitted by the applicant, DEQ's analysis, and the proposed modified permit is available for public review on DEQ's website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

Anyone may submit written comment regarding the project and proposed modified permit. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include supporting materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Faye Weber, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, faye.weber@deq.idaho.gov; or at DEQ's website. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis, will be available on DEQ's website. You may elect to sign on to DEQ's list serve and receive electronic information automatically at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Dan Pitman at (208) 373-0502.

All written comment and data concerning this proposal must be directed to and received by the undersigned on or before 5 p.m. MST/MDT, August 15, 2008.

DATED this 16th day of July, 2008.

Faye Weber
Air Quality Division